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[Despatch Abstract.]

AGRICULTURE : GROW MORE FOOD : MACHINERY : TRACTORS (DOUBLE CROWNED) FOR INTERNATIONAL TD 6 TRACTORS : PURCHASE AT AN INCREASED COST

ACTION OF JOINT DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE

APPROVED.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Abstract.

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AGRICULTURE - Grow More Food - Machinery - Traxcavators (Dozer cd Shovels) for International TD 6 tractors - Purchase at an increased cost - Action of Joint Director of Agriculture - Approved.

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G.O. (Ms) No. 6179. Dated, the 14th December 1948

READ - the following:-

G.O. (Ms) No. 1597 Dev. dated the 31st March 1948

From the Joint Director of Agriculture, T1.543/48 dated the 24th August 1948.

Government Memorandum to the Joint Director of Agriculture, No.93739-AIV/48.1 Dev. dated 22-9-1948

From the Joint Director of Agriculture, No. T1.543/48 dated 4th October 1948 and 15th October 1948.

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ORDER:

In G.O. (Ms) No. 1597 Dev. dated the 31st March 1948 sanction was accorded to the purchase among other things, of 20 numbers of Traxcavators at a cost of Rs. 2,00,000 from Messrs. Volkart Bros., Madras. The Joint Director of Agriculture has reported that Messrs. Volkart Bros. have now offered 6 T raxcavators (Dozer shovels) with all equipment at a total cost of Rs. 1,73,220 and that he has accepted the offer in order to save delay and requests that his action may be approved.

2. In the circumstances reported in the letters of the Joint Director of Agriculture read above, His Excellency the Governor of Madras sanctions the purchase by the Joint Director of Agriculture from Messrs. Volkart Bros., of 6 numbers Bucyrus Eric Model Dozer shovels for TD6 International crawler Tractors at a total cost not exceeding Rs. 1,73,220 (Rupees one lakh seventy three thousand two hundred and twenty only) excluding incidental charges.

3. The action of the Joint Director of Agriculture in having accepted the offer of the firm in anticipation of Government sanction is approved, subject to the r-emarks in paragraph 5 below.

4. The expenditure should be debited to "40.Agriculture - f. Agricultural Engineering - 4.Other charges - Maintenance and upkeep charges - Voted."

5. The Joint Director of Agriculture is informed that the increase in cost of the machinery referred to in paragraph 1 and 2 above over the sanctioned limit is nearly 288 per cent and he failed to obtain the prior sanction of the Government before accepting the offer of the firm on the basis of the revised cost. The Joint Director should have estimated the cost of the machinery properly in the first instance when submitting his proposals which were approved in G.O. (Ms) No. 1597 Dev. dated the 31st March 1948 and should at least have obtained the prior approval of Government to the increased expenditure when it was found that the cost exceeded the sanctioned estimate. He is requested to see that such violations do not occur in future. Otherwise, the sanction of Government to the increased expenditure is liable to be refused.

(By order of His Excellency the Governor)

W.R.S. SATTIANADHAN
Secretary to Government.

To the Joint Director of Agriculture.
To the Accountant-General, through Finance.

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